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# FRENCH IN ASSAULT MOVING ON G

# DELIVERY OF NOTE IS DELAYED BELGIAN KING SEES HORRORS END AS ALLIES DRIVE HUNS FROM LAND

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- With the arrival by cable today of the official text of Germany's reply to President Wilson's recent note, which was being decoded this afternoon at the Swiss smbassy preliminary to delivery to President Wilson later, official Washington this afternoon refrained frem comment awaiting some definite indication of the decision of the president is expected to make as quickly as possible after perusal of the official text. The actual delivery of the note to the American government by the Swiss charge was delayed for several hours, as the task of decoding and translating the note proved long and tedious. It was intimated today that considerable differences in the worlding from the verbiage of the unofficial text received by wireless yesterday might be shown, and the eofficial text was expected to clear up certain obscure passages in the unofficial wording.

Indications were that no anouncement of a decision by the president could be expected before tomorrow. Secretary Lansing was with him until mear midnight last night, discussing the wireless version, but there now must be further conferences, and it is assumed there will be exchanges with the allied capitals.

Every one expected the president to decide quickly whether the note, with its promises in support of the plea for an armistice and its assertion that the government at Berlin no longer is responsible to an arbitrary power, creates a new situation requiring action.

Informal opinion as to the probable attitude of the president covered a wide range, though it did not differ on the great point that immediate peace is not at hand and that, however sincere the German overtures may be, no armistice will be agreed to except upon conditions of surrender that will destroy forever the power of the kaiser's war machine for harm.

Some observers thought no answer would be made and the German armies left to complete their enforced evacuation of occupied territory as best they might with the allied armies on their heels, while people at home continue ousning autocracy. Others believed the next step, in agreement with the allies, would be a suggestion that the German military commanders, if rea decoded this afternoon at the Swiss embassy preliminary to delivery to

Gen. Foch on the subject of an armistice.

Those convinced that the enemy is beaten into submission and that efforts at bargaining are merely a prejude to complete surrender if the allies hold firm, are guided by confidential diplimatic advices purporting to show that there has been a real political revolution in Germany and that the people are ready to throw out the kaiser and all his war lords to get peace. It was learned today that a private dispatch from Germany, has been published in a Copenhagen newspaper, stating that troops on leave are receiving secret orders not to return to the front and that to this extent demobilization has begun. Military men here, however, regard it as inconceivable that such orders would be given while desperate efforts are being made to hold the American and allied troops, at bay at certain points on the western front.

### LONDON PAPERS REGARD NOTE AS UNSATISFACTORY

LONDON, Oct. 22.—Newspaper al-nost without exception view the Ger-(Continued on Page 7, Column 6.)

# GERMAN PAPERS ATTACK KAISER

Provincial and Socialist Organs Hint at Strong Action by People.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 22. (British wireless service.)—German provincial and socialist newspapers continue their campaign against the "chief culprits" responsible for the war. The Frankische Tagespost, of Nuremburg, the first paper in Germany to demand openly the abdication of the emperor, declares that the accession of the crown prince is entirely out of the question. "The German people is searching for the guilty," says the Volks Zeitung, organ of the Nuremburg Socialists. "The Pan-Germans and junkers are silent today, by we do not forget that they are the great war inciters in Germany, that they retain the support of social and political reaction and that they are a menace to the future healthy development of the German empore. The pan-German policy has gone bankrupt, but unfortunately, it has led the German people to disaster. To the gallows with the guilty, whoever they may be!"

may be!"
The Socialist Arbeiter Zeitung, of
Vienna, urges the German socialists
to punish the "chief culprita" without mercy, adding:
"When the German soldiers return
home from the trenches after four years
of unparalleled suffering, there will be
a reckoning for the people who have
led them to this catastrophe. The German people will sweep away the junkers and take its own destiny into its
own hands."

# JACKSON C. OF C. AIRS FREIGHT RATE PROBLEM

A committee headed by A. J. Mc-Gehee, sectetary of the Jackson Tenn., association of commerce met Tuesday afternoon with freight representatives of the Illinois Central, Mobile & Ohio and N., C. & St. L. railroads relative to a readjustment of rates to Jackson. The commission contends that Jackson merchants are paying a much higher rate on many commodities than are other towns close to Jackson and that it is difficult for wholesale dealers in Jackson to compete under this handicap.

Any decision reached by the committee of railroad men will not be announced until the matter has been properly referred to the government. The hearing was in the office of V. D. Fort, assistant traffic manager of the illinois Central.

Germany Fails to Apprehend Wilson's Decision Not to by recent events. ject of Peace.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE, The News Scimitar's Special Washing-ton Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 -- Germany's reply has been sent. Just as the first peace message was sent out from the wireless towers of Nauen so the answer to President Wilson's ultimatum demanding the abdication of autocracy and kaiserism has been flashed through the air. Until the official text is received, there will be no official comment.

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Alled troops on the northern end of the front in France and Belgium today are deriving into the German Interest in rejoinder would be ready shortly. Two things are very clear; the note to the important points on it-Tournal and valenciennes, and the rent in government circles to the first in government circles to today, and, furthermore, the note come trought town the present derman government it must be to the first in government it is to be made for the growth of the conditions are to the first in the present derman government it from the present derman government it from the present derman government it from the present derman government it for the conditions are to the conditions and the conditions are to the conditions are to the conditions are to the conditions and the conditions are to th

lice commissioner, will be renamed to the board of city commissioners at the regular weekly meeting Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

## TWO DIXIE OFFICERS **AND 99 MEN LOST**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—Two officers and 99 enlisted men were lost in the sinking of the U. S. S. Ticonderoga by a German submarine in midecean Sept. 30, the navy department announced today. The officers were Lieuts. Joseph W. Freeman, Wetumpka, Ala.. and Cleveland C. Frost, Berea, Kentucky.

### SOUVENIRS TO BE ALLOWED MAILING

Girls, don't be surprised if you receive a rusty hun helmet or a pin from the shoulders of a German captain in place of the expected letter from your soldier in France when the next mail comes in.

In a letter to his mother, Mrs. Ella Fleet Carlin, 1433 Court avenue, Corp. Charles S. Fleet, of the 114th field artillery, now fighting at the frent, said that the Yanks have been told that the censors were going to allow them to send the promised souvenirs to the girls they left ebbind. He is too busy to write more, he says.

# THE WEATHER

Tennessee—Fair in east, rain in west; Wednesday rain, except fair in extreme Mississippi-Rain.

Arkansas Cloudy, probably rain colder Wednesday except in southeast. Alabama-Probably rain. Kentucky-Probably rain, cooler Wed-

Louisiana-Cloudy, probably rain. Oklahoma-Cloudy, rain in east, cold-r, frost in northwest; Wednesday fair,

East Texas—Cloudy, rain except in orthwest, colder; Wednesday fair

West Texas-Fair, colder, frost in North Carolina—Fair, continued cool with light frost in mountain districts; probably rain and warmer in extreme

South Carolina—Fair, continued cool with frost in mountain districts; Wed-nesday fair except rain and warmer in northwest. Georgia-Partly cloudy, slightly cooler in interior; Wednesday fair in east, rain in west.

Florida—Fair except rain Wednesday in northwest. Kansus-Rain in east and south colder; Wednesday fair,

# BOCHE HURRY FROM BRUSSELS

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 22.—German forces at Brussels are working incessantly to remove war material from that city, according to the Roosendaal correspondent of the Handelsblad. He says that many regiments of German troops are leaving the city, and that there is much excitement among the people there.

The same paper's correspondent at Boermond says that hundreds Converse Further on Subof refugees from northern France are arriving there. These people, who
incl of Bosco.
They were given only two hours' notice to collect their belongings by German officers at Douai, Cambrai and other cities in the war zone.

On the other hand, Antwerp is very calm and has not been affected

# Gist of the War News

(By the Associated Press.) Allied troops on the northern end of

The announced concessions respecting subnarine warfare are merely pretense, the Petit Journal continues, inasmuch as the submarine campaign is a definite fallure, particularly in view of the loss of Ostend and Zebrugge.

The most general comment in the press upon the German reply is that the enemy is attempting to escape an admission of defeat by causing pacifist agitations in entente countries. With this end in view the German wireless is sending out fantastic stories of pacifist manifestations in important French cities, and of imminent strikes.

## YOUNG ORDERED HELD FOR BENNETT'S DEATH

C. D. Young, 1780 Cowden avenue, surrendered to police authorities Tuesday morning after orders had been issued by Chief Burney to arrest him on a charge of involuntary manslaughter in connection with the fatal injury of John B. Bennett, 33, 1120 Monroe avenue who was occupying an auto avenue, who was occupying an auto which collided with one occupied by

which collided with one occupied by Young.

He made \$1,000 bond, signed by R.

M. Barton, and was released on this security to find another bondsman.

The accident occupred Thursday morning at 2 o'clock at Dunlap street and Union avenue. Bennett was riding with C. R. McClure, coming west on Union. The auto occupied by Young and two companions was going east. Bennett was thrown to the street by the collision. Young was arrested at the time on a charge of recklessly driving an auto while intoxicated, but released on a small forfeit.

Bennett died Monday at the General hospital. His body will be forwarded to Savannah, Ga., by McDowell & Monteverde undertakers, and interment probably made there Friday.

SMYTHE NOW COLONEL

OF HOSPITAL UNIT

Maj. Frank D. Smythe, commanding

surgeon of base hospital 57, has re-cently changed the gold maple leaves upon his shoulder to the silver ones which denote the rank of lieutenant-

colonel.
Col. Smythe bears the distinction of

colonel.

Col. Smythe bears the distinction of being the only American medical officer to have the honor of organizing his own base hospital. The staff of base hospital 57, of which Lieut-Col. E. C. Mitchell, another prominent Memphis surgeon, is military commander, is composed of some of the most noted surgeons and physicians in the tristates.

Base hospital 57 has recently been stationed in the historic oid Jeoilly college near Paris, in which Lafayette and many other famous French statesmen were educated.

Col. Smythe writes that since the arrival of the staff, of nurses in September the organization of the Hospital has been completed and that ineres are now very busy restoring the health and happiness of American boys.

Various Small Nationalities Seek Reintegration While Charles Seeks to Set Up Autonomous Governments.

BY FRANK H. SIMONDS, The News Scimitar's Military Expert.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—The upheavai
in Austria-Hungary, which has now degenerated into a race between the emperor, with a policy of federation, and
the various nationalities with a purpose
of race reintegration, has become the
dominant political feature of the presept European situation. The war began
because Austria fell that the liberation
of the Balkan Slavs threatened her own
existence. It was in its genesis a quarrel between Austria-Hungary and the
Serbians, is which Germany backed
Austria and Russia took up the cause
of the Serbs. Thus the settlement of
the war must logically and inevitably
include a just rettlement of the race
questions with respect to Austria.

As to Austria-Hungary, there are certain basic facts that all Americans
should keep in mind now. The dual
monarchy is a partnership between 12,
000,000 Germans and 10,000,000 Hungarians for the purpose of keeping in
subjection 22,000,000 Slavs and 4,000,000
Latins. By virtue of the articles of
agreement, the Austrian Germans are
permitted to keep in slavery the Cacchs,
Polez. Ruthenians, the Slovenian fraction of the Jugo-Slavs and the Italians
of Trieste and the Trentino. All told
Austria has a population of a little
more tha 20,000,000, of whom only 10,000,000
are German.

Hungary has a population of a little
more than 20,000,000, of whom only 10,000,000
are German.

Hungary has a population of a little
more tha 20,000,000, of whom just half
are Hungarians, the balance being Germans, Jugo-Slavs, Slovaks and Rumanians. In addition, Austria and Hungary, in partnership, again, unite in
teeping in subjection 2,000,000 Serbs in
Bosnia and Herzegovina, who are members of the Jugo-Slavia cassociation of
Southern Slavs.

Forced at last to face defeat and revcolution, the Austrian partner in the firm
has proposed, a federalization which
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ture that will revolutionize the system in this state and that will mark a new era of progress in real estate and industrial activities. When this matter is in proper shape, co-operation of the local authorities will be asked by real estate

May Ask Coming Legislature

# **CLOSE THREE DAYS**

Announcement to this effect was made through a "grapevine" report from the city hall shortly before noon. The report bore all the earmarks of authenticity and Quinn's election is to come as the "last order of business."

Quinn's election to the board will be for the position of commissioner of streets, bridges and sewers, the office be held after being transferred from the fire and police post upon the return of W. T. McLain, reinstated by the state supreme court. C. W. Miller, at present commissioner of streets, bridges and sewers, will be transferred to that of fire and police.

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A call has been issued to all ginners in West Tennessee to meet at the Chamber of Commerce Saturday morning to discuss further closing.

Ginners of the county who met at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday agreed to close their gins for three days, regardless of the action of other West Tennessee ginners, It was pointed out, however, that closing in Shelby county alone would offer little relief, and it is hoped that the West Tennessee ginners as a whole will take some action Saturday to insure a further shutdown of gins.

C. J. Hasse, Shelby county food ad-

of gins.

C. J. Haase, Shelby county food administrator, has asked all county food administrators in West Tennessee to urge all ginners in their counties to attend the meeting Saturday.

A temporary organization of Shelby county ginners was completed Tuesday and it was through this organization that the request for the West Tennessee ginners' meeting was issued.

# **COUNTY SCHOOLS**

Miss Charl O. Williams, superintendent of the county board of education, has issued a report of the work of the school system in the county for the last four years.

The report shows that in 1917 \$16,785 was raised by the various communities and spent for school and playground apparatus. ties and spent for school and play-ground apparatus.

During the four-year period new school buildings were erected at Bart-lett, Ellendale. Ehds-Fisherville, Kerr-ville. Treadwell, Woodstock, Florida street, Bethlehem, Millington and Mace-donia, in addition to many additions to buildings.

Fifty-Cent Fee Ordered on Commercial Accounts Under \$100.

Unless your average bank balance exceeds \$100 a month, or if under that amount you issue only an occasional check against it, every bank in Memphis will make a service charge of 50 cents a mpnth on each account after Nev. 1. This action is taken after careful consideration by all the institutions working through the Clearing House association, and one of the chief reasons for it is searcity and increased cost of clerical help, as well as the larger expenses incurred by the banks in handling them.

The matter of making a charge for handling commercial accounts whose balances are small, against which checks are drawn frequently, has been up for discussion all over the country, and already most cities have initiated the system. Local banks have been working on the matter for some time, finding some opposition at first, but all this has been adjusted by allowing certain discretion on the part of the institutions having so many small accounts as to when they shall make the charge.

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SCHOOLS

SHOW INCREASE

O. Williams, superintend-

### FILE PETITIONS IN BANKRUPTCY

The Eddy B. Brown Lumber company, of Memphis, has filed a voluntary petition in bankrupicy with the clerk of the federal court, listing liabilities at \$7,124,31 and assets at \$7,674,07.

The petition is signed by Eddy B. Brown, as president of the company, who filed an individual bankrupicy petition, listing liabilities at \$5,317.50 and assets at \$220.

# WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.-Two army

The first list, of 569 names, is d

ided: Killed in action 104, missing in action 3, wounded severely 355, died of counds 37. The second list, of 559 names, is di-

ided: Killed in action 40, missing in action Killed in action 40, missing in action 43, wounded severely 17, wounded slightly 45, died accident and other causes 5, died from wounds 11, wound-ed, degree undetermined 322; died of disease 54, prisoners 21. Included in the two lists are:

TENNESSEE.
Killed in action: Private Leroy Thom-Killed in action: Private Leroy Thomas, Forbus,
Wounded severely: Privates Sam S.
Hailey, Pierson, Murray Robertson, Big
Rock; Jim F. Byrd, Seguatchie,
Slightly wounded: Privates Phillip E.
Moore, 476 Simpson street, Memphis,
Earn Williams, Cashby.
Wounded, degree undetermined: Privates Harvey Parker, Buffalo Valley;
Samuel D. Shanks, Limestone,
Missing in action: Privates Henry C.
Shelton, R. F. D. 1, Palmerville; John
Shelton, R. F. D. 1, Manchester,
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Killed in action: Private Robert E.
House, Aberdeen.
Died from wounds: Privates Jesse Ivy,
Bolstusha. Charile Moore. Meadville. Died from wounds: Privates Jesse Ivy,
Bolatusha, Charile Moore, Meadville,
Died of disease: Privates Allen Duke,
R. F. D. J. Abbeville; Lawyer Green,
R. F. D. J. Batesville: Willie Smith,
R. F. D. J. Cotton Plant.
Wounded severely: Privates John
Lows, R. F. D. Z. Columbia, William B.
Poole, DeKalb, Harry C. Wright, Now
Augusta Augusta Wounded, degree undetermined: Pri-

vate Bonnie T. Lowery, Belden. Killed in action, previously reported missing in action: Private Robert Thunter, Wilson. Thunter, Wilson.
In hospital, previously reported miss-ng in action: Private Graver C. Purear, Gravette Missing in action: Private Merritt B. wrham, Blue Mountain. Prisoner: Private Homer Reeves.

ARKANSAS. Killed in action: Sergt, Lum C. C. Stringer, Craighead, Died from wounds: Privaté Henry C. Paniey, Corrogordo.

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### Holds Up Four Noisy Men With A Ripe Banana A common banana in the dark on

North Main street Tuesday morning shortly after 12 o'clock served as an excellent pistol in the hands of an intoxicated citizen, who was irritated by toxicated citizen, who was irritated by a darkies strumming merrily on an old-fashioned guitar. The guitar is now a mass of wreckage and four persons firmly helieve they were held up by a bold footpad.

The story is vouched for by Neely Carter, bloodhound officer, and by several police officers, who haven't quit laughing yet.

Two white men and two negroes were having a gay time in an automobile.

# BRITISH HEADQUARTERS BELGIUM, Oct. 22. (Reuters.)-Strong French forces attacked today on the center of theallied front in Belgium and are reported to me making excelient progress in the direction of Ghent,

ATTACK

BRITISH WITHIN MILE FO CITY OF TOURNAL

LONDON, Oct. 22.-The British have advanced their line to the left bank of the Evaillon river, and have captured the western part of the village of This ant, five miles southwest of Valenclening, it is announced officially. The British, after sharp fighting, have advanced to within less than a m

Tournal

The statement adds

Further progress to been made by
our troops between Valencientes and
Tournal. The enemy's resistance out
this front is increasing. In the Tournal sector, as a result of sharp fighting
during the hight, we drove the yearny
out of the village of Aureu and the
woods in the neighborhood of Projenne."

British casualties reported for the cek ending Monday numbered 37,150, unpared to 55,710 for the previous bek They are divided as follows; Rilled or died of wounds; Officers, 7) men. 4,971. or missing: Officers, 1,464;

FURTHER PROGRESS MADE BY FRENCH UPON SERRE

PARIS Oct 12. Further progress was made last night by the Franch on the Serre front, the war office an-(Continued on Page 7, Column 23

# King Albert of Belgium was forced for four long years to stand by and acthe rountry of which he is the head devastated by the Germans—to see the women and children violated and murdered. No one grieved more than the king But, thanks to the allies, the Germans are being driven out of Belgium. The Belgium soldiers are miding in routing the German hordes.

united war work conference at the Goodwyn Institute at 10 o'clock Friday morning, Oct. 25, for the discussing the work of the

morning, Oct. 25. for the purpose of discussing the work of the seven organizations united in raising the fund of \$475,000 assigned to this grand division and for planning the details of the campaign which will be formally opened Nov. 11.

The quota of Memphis and Shelby county has already been fixed at \$300,000. The other 20 counties in this grand division will be asked to raise \$175,000 and the thiotnent of each will be determined during the day.

L. M. Stratton, chairman of the executive committee for West Tennessee, has announced the following speakers: Forenoen: Monsignor Murphy, Mayor Monteverde, Dr. E. O. Brown of Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., Mrs. Arch Trawick, E. F. Longinotti and Joseph Newburger, Afternoon: Rabbi Wm. H. Fine-phriber, Dr. J. L. Weber, in charge of religious work at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., Henry G. Hart, Dr. A. E. Clement and Cole E. Morgan, chairman of publicity for Tennessee. Buring the afternoon session there will also be open discussion, led by Dr. E. E. George, director of the campaign in West Tennessee.

Athough the campaign will not besterned. prign in West Tennessee.

Although the campaign will not be formal launched until the west of Nov. 11-18, plans are being rapidly matured, and organization is being perfected on a sound and substantial basis.

### Mail Clerks Are Overrun With Soldier's Letters

Clerks at the postoffice worked overime Tuesday morning to distribute 8,-000 letters received in three pouches One sack, showing that it left a port

of debarkation in France Oct. 2, arrived late Monday night, and two pouches, containing letters, written Sept. 24 and 27, arrived Tuesday morn-

warnings have been issued to parents not to allow their children to visit houses were influenza and pneumonia cards are up. Keep children away from others in families having the disease, is requested by health officials.

Persons riding on elevators are requested to keep their mouths closed. Don't talk, but turn your face toward the elevator door. Do not congregate about railroad depots are other instructions.

The street ear company has again been requested to prevent crowled cars. Servants sweeping in homes are asked to sprinkle first. This request has gone to boarding houses, business houses and all offices. Dust, say health officers, has helped spread the disease.

DECIDED DROP IN

TEMPERATURE COMING

A decided drop in temperature is due in Memphis not later than Wednesday night or Thursday as a result of the season containing letters, written Sept 24 and 27, arrived Tuesday morning in grant and 27, arrived Tuesday masser Com Metal 21, and 27, arrived Tuesday morning in grant and 27, arrived Tuesday Posting in grant and 27, arrived Tuesday masser Com Metal 21, and 27, arrived Tuesday posting in grant and 27, arrived Tuesda

namton. Deep down in one package. swamped by square envelopes addressed in a bold, businesslike way, was a little army envelope, addressed to "Miss Au-gusta Brown," rear — Ayers street, The letter was from Private Sandy Brown.
The mail handled by the clerks in the postoffice Tuesday comprised the largest number of letters so far received from the Memphis soldlers in France. Hundreds of them had been written on Y. M. C. A. stationery.

## SENATE MAKES CHANGE ON WAR PROFIT TAXES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.-In sevising phis in 1917 was the night of Oct. 6.

The average date for the first killing frost for Memphis is Nov. 3, but this phenomenon visited Memphis Oct. 2 last year.

Temperature at Memphis Tuesday morn ig was 54. On the same date a year tgo it was 41.

The predicted for Tuesday night, from the house provisions.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—In pevising the war excess profits tax feature of the house revenue bill, the senate finance committee today struck out the access sprofits and adopted a combination plan designed to raise soriewhat less than the \$3,200,000,000 estimated from the house provisions.

# HUGE TOBACCO TRUST CHARGED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22,—Five tobacco corporations and a number of
their officers and directors were
charged in a formal complaint today
by the federal trade commission with
price discrimination in the sale of cigarets and other tobacco products, tending to create a monopoly, unfair metanance of interlocking directorates and
illegal concentration of control of producing companies.

Those named are the Tebacco Products corporation, of Richmond, Va.;
the Melachrino Tobacco Trading company, New York; Schimasi Bros., Inc.,
New York; the Falk Tobacco company, of Virginia, and Geo.
L. Storm, Ruben M. Elis, Albert Falk,
Jacob L. Hoffman, James M. Dixon,
officers millegal commissions and rebates to dealers who
defendants were ordered to appears before the commission in Washington, Dec. 7, to show cause why the
corporations should not be required to
dispose of stock unlawfully held in
other companies in alleged violating of
the Claston law.

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# Only 15 New Cases Reported and Epidemic Is Nearly Stamped Out.

KING ALBERT OF BELGIUM.

A written request to draft boards to postpone further examinations of draftees for 10 days was issued Tuesday by Dr. Neumon Taylor, superintendent of the city board of health. The action was taken after a conference with Mayor Frank L. Monteverde,

both deciding that it will be best to stop army draft work until the inflyenza enidemic is thoroughly cured. Draft boad chalrmen agreed to carry out the request. The matter will now be placed officially before Maj. Rut-ledge Smith, state chalrman of the Council of National Defense. Dr. Taylor said the coldenic in Mem-

On the control of National Defense.

Dr. Taylor said the cpidemic in Memphis is improving at a rapid rate. Only is new cases had been reported to the board of health at noon Tuesday. There were eight pneumonia and three influenza cases reported from a o'clock Monday evening to noon Tuesday. There were 58 new cases Monday and 36 deaths genotted up to 4 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Total deaths up to Tuesday were 288 from pneumonia and 62 from influenza. There is a total of 5,491 cases, with 846 houses placarded.

"I want to urge on the people the necessity of keeping up the fight," said Dr. Taylor. "They must give the health department their heartiest cooperation. To relax our efforts now when we have the disease under control, might prove disastrous. There is a possible chance of climatic changes resulting in another epidemic, but if we continue to fight as we have the past few days, we will soon stamp it out." Warnings have been issued to parents

night or Thursday as a result of the first real cold wave of the season centering around Calgary, B. C., where thermometers Tuesday registered 24 degrees above zero.

There will be no cold wave warning issued at Memphis, but observers expected at Memphis, but observers expected by the considerably cooler for Tennessee and al lover the lower Mississippi valley.

The change, it is predicted, will reach the plain states within the next 36 by hours and extend very rapidly into the Southwest, spreading aftewards to the eastern part of the Mississippi valley. By Friday night it is expected to be in the South Atlantic states.

Just how much of a drop in temperature will occur observers Tuesday were unable to say. It might get cold enough for a frost.

The date for the first frost in Memphis in 1917 was the night of Oct. 6. The average date for the first killing a frost for Memphis is Nov. 3, but this phenomenon visited Memphis Oct. 9 last year.

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